Land area
259 km²

Gross Domestic Product (GDP)
GDP (million, current USD): ..
GDP per capita (current USD): ..
GDP growth rate (% average 2010-2017): ..

Population
Total (2017): 1,618
Density (per km², 2017): 6
Urban (% of total, 2017): 44
Life expectancy (years, 2016, male/female): 73/75

Human Development
Human Development Index (HDI) 2017: ..
HDI rank: ..
Population below income poverty line¹ (%): ..
Gini Index³: ..
UN LDC group: No

Trade profile
Niue's membership in trade agreements

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Agreement</th>
<th>Scope</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>South Pacific Regional Trade and Economic Cooperation Agreement (SPARTECA)</td>
<td>Duty free access to the markets of Australia and New Zealand</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>The Cotonou Agreement</td>
<td>Development; political; economic and trade cooperation. From “non-reciprocal” trade preferences in favour of Africa, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) countries to reciprocal trade preferences through Economic Partnership Agreements (EPAs)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>The Pacific Island Countries Trade Agreement (PICTA)</td>
<td>Progressive reduction/elimination of tariffs among member countries</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Pacific Agreement on Closer Economic Relations (PACER) Plus</td>
<td>Trade in goods and services, temporary movement of skilled workers, investment, development and economic cooperation</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>General Scheme of Preferences (GSP)</td>
<td>Beneficiaries have duty free or preferential access to the donor country markets</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Source: UNCTAD Secretariat

Note:
¹ HDI is a composite index that integrates three basic dimensions of human development: life expectancy at birth as a proxy of the ability to live a long and healthy life; mean of years of schooling and expected years of schooling as a proxy of acquired knowledge; and gross national income per capita as a proxy of the ability to achieve a decent standard of living. An HDI close to zero indicates greater distance from the maximum that can be achieved on the factors entering the HDI and vice versa. For technical details, see http://hdr.undp.org/en/content/human-development-index-hdi.
² Based on USD (PPP) 1.90 per day.
³ The Gini coefficient measures the deviation of the distribution of income among individuals or households from a perfectly equal distribution. A coefficient of 0 represents perfect income equality (all persons or households have the same income) and a value of 1, perfect income inequality (all income is concentrated by one person or one household).
Niue’s trade composition by product group between 2015–2017 (per cent shares)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Product Group</th>
<th>Imports</th>
<th>Exports</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Primary products</td>
<td>6.6</td>
<td>3.4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Resource-based manufacture</td>
<td>13.6</td>
<td>28.9</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Low technology manufacture</td>
<td>8.5</td>
<td>9.4</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Medium technology manufacture</td>
<td>48.4</td>
<td>52.2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>High technology manufacture</td>
<td>4.7</td>
<td>6.6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Unclassified</td>
<td>2.9</td>
<td>14.7</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Source: Calculations based on UNCTADstat Database

Niue’s main export and import products (2015-2017 average)

**EXPORTS (share of total)**

- Ships, boats & floating structures: 32.5
- Fruit and vegetable juices, unfermented, no spirit: 9.3
- Printed matter: 9.2
- Apparatus for electrical circuits; board, panels: 6.4
- Articles, n.e.s., of plastics: 2.8
- Other: 39.8

**IMPORTS (share of total)**

- Ships, boats & floating structures: 34.4
- Petroleum oils or bituminous minerals >70% oil: 11.1
- Wood simply worked, and railway sleepers of wood: 2.2
- Alcoholic beverages: 2.2
- Motor vehicles for the transport of persons: 2.0
- Other: 48.1

Source: Calculations based on UNCTADstat Database

**KEY FACTS**

- The technological classification of trade for the period 2015–2017 shows that about 52 per cent of Niue’s exports are medium technology manufactures, followed by unclassified manufactures (15 per cent), and resource-based manufactures (14 per cent). A similar classification is observed in the case of imports. Most imports (48 per cent) are medium technology manufactures, followed by resource-based manufactures (about 29 per cent) and low technology manufactures (about 9 per cent).

- Niue had an increase in its concentration index (which increased from 0.29 in 1995-1997 to 0.47 in 2015-2017). Its concentration index of exports, on the other hand, decreased for the same periods (from 0.52 to 0.32).

Note:

4 Lall (2000).
5 The Concentration Index or Herfindahl-Hirschmann Index is a measure of the degree of product concentration of exports (or imports). Values close to 1 indicate that exports (or imports) are highly concentrated in a few products while values close to 0 indicate a more homogeneous distribution of exports (or imports) among a wider range of products (UNCTADstat).
Niue’s exports have significantly increased towards developing Asia, from 12 to 48 per cent between 1995-1997 and 2015-2017. In contrast, exports to developed Oceania fell sharply, from 31 to 7 per cent during the same period. Yet, the country main export partners are Indonesia and United States of America.

Both developed Asia and developed Oceania have increased their relative importance as main import partners for Niue during the period 1995–1997 and 2015–2017 (from 0.64 to almost 33 per cent of imports and from 12 to almost 57 per cent, respectively). Niue’s leading import partners are New Zealand and Japan.

Niue is not a member of the WTO.

Niue is a member of the Pacific Islands Forum (PIF).

As in the other 9PICs, Niue’s small market prevents it from enjoying the potential benefits of economies of scale. This, combined with geographical remoteness, creates difficulties for the country to integrate into international markets.

Gender profile

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Men</th>
<th>15</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Women</td>
<td>5</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Source: Pacific Women in Politics

Niue’s gender inputs

**Ratified International Conventions or Commitments**
- International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (1978 via New Zealand)
- International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (1978 via New Zealand)
- Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women, CEDAW (1985, via New Zealand)
- Agenda 2030 (2015)

**Gender in trade policy**
- Gender considerations are not part of Niue’s trade policy frameworks.

**Other Gender Programmes**
- Women’s Political Empowerment and Leadership (WPEL, UN Women)
- Ending Violence Against Women (EVAW, UN Women)
- Women’s Economic Empowerment (WEE, UN Women)
- Gender and Protection in Humanitarian Action (GPiHA) and Disaster Risk Reduction (UN Women)

Sources: Pacific Islands Legal Information Institute; University of the South Pacific’s School of Law; UN Women – Asia-Pacific (2018).